Practice: 610 - Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Scenario: #1 - Soil Management (non-Irrigated)

## **Scenario Description:**

The producer secures training in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management, analyzes subsurface conditions in areas in and around a saline seep and using information gained from training and field observations carrys out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan employing as applicable changes in Conservation Cropping Systems, Critical Area Planting, Nutrient Management and use of soil amendments. Scenario includes cost of attending a 6 hr University, NRCS, or commodity group sponsored training session and 40 hours of mgt labor a year to analyze available data and field situation, then review, and modify as necessary the Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan and continue to carry it out.

Resource Concerns: Soil Quality Degradation - Concentration of salts or other chemicals, and Water Quality Degradation- Excessive salts in surface and ground waters.

Associated Practices: 328 -Conservation Cropping System; 342- Critical Area Planting; and 590 - Nutrient Management.

### **Before Situation:**

A crop-fallow system on sodic and saline soils has resulted in saline seeps. The recharge area of the seep must be determined before the extents of the treatment can be planned. An analyses of the subsurface conditions in areas in and around a saline is completed on 95 acres of recharge area surrounding a 5 acre saline seep in order to determine groundwater gradients and limits of the recharge area.

# **After Situation:**

A determination of extent of recharge area has been made. The area to be treated has been identified. The producer has developed and is carrying out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan. Deep percolation in the recharge area is eliminated and salts no longer leach into the ground or surface water.

Scenario Feature Measure: Acres included in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 100

Scenario Cost: \$1,337.42 Scenario Cost/Unit: \$13.37

Cost Details (by category):

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Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	(\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Acquisition of Technical Kr	nowledge					
Training, Workshops	294	Educational seminar or series of meetings emphasizing interaction and exchange of information among a usually small number of participants.	Each	\$41.42	1	\$41.42
Labor						
Supervisor or Manager	234	Labor involving supervision or management activities. Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc.	Hour	\$32.40	40	\$1,296.00

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Scenario: #2 - Soil Management (Irrigated)

## **Scenario Description:**

The producer secures training in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management and develops and carries out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan. Scenario includes cost of attending a 6 hr University, NRCS, or commodity group sponsored training session and 12 hours of mgt labor a year to analyze available data and field situation, develop (or review and modify as necessary) plan and carry it out.

Resource Concerns: Soil Quality Degradation - Concentration of salts or other chemicals, Water Quality Degradation- Excessive salts in surface and ground waters, and plant productivity.

Associated Practices: 328-Conservation Crop Rotation; 449-Irrigation Water Management; and 590-Nutrient Management.

## **Before Situation:**

Salintiy and or Sodic conditions have developed in the root zone of a 100 acre irrigated cropland field resulting in decreased soil quality, plant health problems, and yield reductions.

### **After Situation:**

Producer conducts soil and irrigation water analysis to determine the irrigation leaching requirement needed based on crop consumptive use and salinity levels of the irrigation water to flush accumulated salts and maintain a proper salt balance. Routine periodic checks of water EC will be conducted by producer to monitor for water salinity which might require changes to Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan. The Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan is carried out employing soil and water testing and as applicable changes in Irrigation Water Management (449), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), tillage, and use of soil and or water amendments. The producer has developed and is carrying out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan resulting in improved soil quality and plant health.

Scenario Feature Measure: Acres included in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 100

Scenario Cost: \$1,531.42 Scenario Cost/Unit: \$15.31

Cost Details (by category): Price **Component Name Component Description** Unit **Quantity Cost** (\$/unit) Acquisition of Technical Knowledge Training, Workshops 294 Educational seminar or series of meetings emphasizing Each \$41.42 1 \$41.42 interaction and exchange of information among a usually small number of participants. Labor \$32.40 40 \$1.296.00 Supervisor or Manager 234 Labor involving supervision or management activities. Hour Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc. Materials Test, Standard Water Test, 310 Irrigation water suitability lab analysis. Includes pH, Each \$38.36 \$38.36 Irrigation Suitability alkalinity, carbonates/bicarbonates, EC, dissolved solids, B, Cl, Ca, Mg, Na, SAR, and hardness. 300 Includes materials, shipping, labor, and equipment costs. \$12.97 12 \$155.64 Test, Soil Test, Precision, Grid Each or Zone

Practice: 610 - Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Scenario: #3 - Soil Management (Irrigated Gypsum)

## **Scenario Description:**

The producer secures training in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management and develops and carries out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan that involves the application of gypsum to address a sodicity soil problem. Scenario includes cost of attending a 6 hr University, NRCS, or commodity group sponsored training session and 12 hours of mgt labor a year to analyze available data and field situation, develop (or review and modify as necessary) plan and carry it out.

Resource Concerns: Soil Quality Degradation - Concentration of salts or other chemicals, Water Quality Degradation - Excessive salts in surface and ground waters, and plant productivity.

Associated Practices: 328-Conservation Crop Rotation; 449-Irrigation Water Management; and 590-Nutrient Management.

# **Before Situation:**

Preliminary field assessment has indicated a Sodic soil condition has developed in the root zone of a 100 acre irrigated cropland field and that a gypsum application will be needed to increase soil quality, reduce plant health problems, and eliminate yield impacts.

#### **After Situation:**

Producer conducts soil and irrigation water analysis to determine the amount of gypsum to apply and irrigation leaching requirement needed based on crop consumptive use and sodium (SAR or ESP) concentrations of the soil. Producer conducts routine soil and water analysis to determine any required changes to Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan. The Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan is carried out employing soil and water testing and as applicable changes in Irrigation Water Management (449), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), tillage, and use of soil and or water amendments. The producer has developed and is carrying out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan resulting in improved soil quality and plant health.

Scenario Feature Measure: Acres included in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 100

Scenario Cost: \$10,583.00 Scenario Cost/Unit: \$105.83

Cost Details (by category):

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Component Name	ID	Component Description	Unit	(\$/unit)	Quantity	Cost
Materials						
Gypsum, Ground Ag Grade, Bulk		Agricultural grade quarry ground gypsum (CaCO4) for dispersive soil treatment. Materials and delivery only.	Ton	\$34.63	300	\$10,389.00
Test, Standard Water Test, Irrigation Suitability		Irrigation water suitability lab analysis. Includes pH, alkalinity, carbonates/bicarbonates, EC, dissolved solids, B, Cl, Ca, Mg, Na, SAR, and hardness.	Each	\$38.36	1	\$38.36
Test, Soil Test, Precision, Grid or Zone	300	Includes materials, shipping, labor, and equipment costs.	Each	\$12.97	12	\$155.64

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Scenario: #4 - Small Farm<10acres (Irrigated)

# **Scenario Description:**

This scenario is for small irrigated farms typically 10 acres or less in size. The producer secures training in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management and develops and carries out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan. Scenario includes cost of attending a 6 hr University, NRCS, or commodity group sponsored training session and 12 hours of mgt labor a year to analyze available data and field situation, develop (or review and modify as necessary) plan and carry it out.

Resource Concerns: Soil Quality Degradation - Concentration of salts or other chemicals, Water Quality Degradation - Excessive salts in surface and ground waters, and plant productivity.

Associated Practices: 328-Conservation Crop Rotation; 449-Irrigation Water Management; and 590-Nutrient Management.

### **Before Situation:**

Salintiy and or Sodic conditions have developed in the root zone of a Small Farm (10 acre) with irrigated cropland resulting in decreased soil quality, plant health problems, and yield reductions.

#### **After Situation:**

Producer conducts soil and irrigation water analysis to determine the irrigation leaching requirement needed based on crop consumptive use and salinity levels of the irrigation water to flush accumulated salts and maintain a proper salt balance. Routine periodic checks of water EC will be conducted by producer to monitor for water salinity which might require changes to Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan. The Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan is carried out employing soil and water testing and as applicable changes in Irrigation Water Management (449), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), tillage, and use of soil and or water amendments. The producer has developed and is carrying out a Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan resulting in improved soil quality and plant health.

Scenario Feature Measure: Acres included in Salinity and Sodic Soil Management Plan

Scenario Unit: Acre

Scenario Typical Size: 10

**Scenario Cost:** \$1,401.72 Scenario Cost/Unit: \$140.17

Cost Details (by category): Price **Component Name Component Description** Unit **Quantity Cost** (\$/unit) Acquisition of Technical Knowledge Training, Workshops 294 Educational seminar or series of meetings emphasizing Each \$41.42 1 \$41.42 interaction and exchange of information among a usually small number of participants. Labor Supervisor or Manager 234 Labor involving supervision or management activities. Hour \$32.40 40 \$1.296.00 Includes crew supervisors, foremen and farm/ranch managers time required for adopting new technology, etc. Materials Test. Standard Water Test. 310 Irrigation water suitability lab analysis. Includes pH. Each \$38.36 1 \$38.36 Irrigation Suitability alkalinity, carbonates/bicarbonates, EC, dissolved solids, B, Cl, Ca, Mg, Na, SAR, and hardness. 300 Includes materials, shipping, labor, and equipment costs. Test, Soil Test, Precision, Grid Fach \$12.97 2 \$25.94 or Zone